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EPSOM.

Greater Interest Than Ever in the Derby.

London, June 4.—The great Epsom racing carnival commenced today with an excellent programme, which attracted big crowds. Tomorrow's Derby has aroused far greater enthusiasm than usual owing to its open character. The betting is more widespread than usual. It would appear that the field will number 25. C. F. Whitney's Volodovski remains a strong favorite at five to two against American horses. The Craven stakes of 200 sovereigns, resulted as follows: Mr. Croker's Scotch, **11**, first; Mr. Whitney's Volodovski, **2**; Mr. Whitney's Bokator, **3**. The second, the Epsom plate handicap of 100 sovereigns, resulted: Edmed, **5**; Cossine, **6**; Handspike, **7**; Escurial, **8**; won the Ashtead plate of 200 sovereigns.

The chief event of the day's programme, the Woodcote stakes of 10,000 sovereigns, was won by Seepie, for which Mr. Siever paid 10,000 guineas last year. Czardas was second, and Port Blair third. Mauber was the Epsom plate of 200 sovereigns.

New York IL, won the Walkington plate of 200 sovereigns. The Gowranilly was second, and the Ross third.

Morgan won the Norbury plate handicap of 200 sovereigns.

WAS A STIFF FIGHT.

Boers Tried to Rush Dixon's Force at Vlakfontein.

London, June 4.—Lord Kitchener in a despatch from Pretoria dated June 4, says:

"Dixon's report of the fighting at Vlakfontein on May 29, has just been received. On our side, 1,450 men, with seven guns, were engaged. The force was returning to camp at Vlakfontein when the enemy under cover of a veil of fire, rushed the rear guard, consisting of two guns of the 29th battery and 330 men of the Derbyshires and Yeomanry. They captured the two guns.

"When the remainder of the force came into action the Boers were driven off, the guns were recovered, and the Boer position was occupied.

Our casualties were six officers and 117 men wounded, one officer and seven men missing. One officer and four men have since died of wounds.

"Forty-one Boers were killed on the ground. The further Boer casualties are not known.

"Reinforcements are being sent."

CONSTITUTION GONE WRONG.

She is Dismasted and Badly Crippled on Trial Spin.

Newport, R. I., June 4.—The Constitution was dismasted while on trial spin this afternoon. The accident happened off Brenton's reef lightship, three miles from Narragansett point, about 2:35 o'clock. To all appearances the guns were recovered, and the Boer position was occupied.

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ONTARIO MINISTERS.

Start on a Tour of the Province to Talk Politics.

Toronto, June 4.—(Special)—Ontario ministers started out today on a tour of the province. Messrs. Gibson and Latchford will spend several days in Bruce, Parry Sound and Muskoka. Mr. Stratton was to Lamberton, Mr. Davis to Haldimand, and Mr. Harcourt to Glengarry.

Henry Sutherland, for twenty years a prominent insurance man of this city, and for many years managing director of the Temperance and General Life Assurance company, has resigned from that position.

The fourth annual meeting of the Congregational Union of Ontario and Quebec, opens here tomorrow morning. Rev. Principal George of Montreal is chairman.

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THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

Hon. David Mills Does Not Favor Colonial Representatives There.

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Invasion of Cape Colony

Jamestown Taken by Boers Who
Overpower the Small
Garrison.

Details of Vlakfontein Show It
Was a Most Desperate
Fight.

A BOER SUCCESS

London, June 4.—The war office tonight published the following despatch from Lord Kitchener, Pretoria, June 4:

"Jamestown, Cape Colony, surrendered to Kritzinger's command on the morning of June 2, after four hours fighting. The town guard and volunteers were overpowered before our columns could come up. Our casualties were three killed and two wounded. The Boer loss is said to have been greater.

"The stores were looted, but the garrison was released.

"Have placed General French in charge of the operations in Cape Colony."

London, June 5.—The appointment of Gen. French, who has been recruiting his health in Capetown to the command of the operations in Cape Colony indicates that Lord Kitchener attaches considerable importance to the invasion.

The recrudescence of serious fighting brings further demands for the sending out of reinforcements. The surrender of Jamestown is regarded as a disagreeable incident, because it has provided Commandant Kritzinger with a fresh supply of the shrews of war.

Details received regarding the fighting at Vlakfontein show that it was one of the most desperate engagements of the war. Gen. Dixon's column was traversing the district and establishing posts when it was attacked by 1,200 Boers under Commandant Kemp. The Boers were so close that fifty British fell at the first volley.

The Yeomanry held the position, protecting the guns, until they were nearly decimated, and then finding it impossible to save the guns, the artillerymen shot the gun horses to pieces to prevent the Boers moving the guns. The column quickly recovered the shock of the unexpected attack.

The Derbyshires charged with bayonets, and after a short desperate fight drove off the Boers and recovered the guns. The Derbyshires and Yeomanry both lost very heavily. It is asserted that while the Boers held temporary possession of the guns, they shot two artillerymen in cold blood for refusing to work them against their comrades.

WRECKED RACERS.

Shamrock in Dry Dock—Constitutions Mishap Will Soon Be Repaired.

Southington, June 4.—The Shamrock went into dry dock today for an examination of her hull.

Bristol, June 4.—It is thought that the accident to the Constitution will not cause any serious delay. Unless her hull is damaged it is thought it will be comparatively easy work to make repairs.

Following their policy of duplicating parts, the Herreshoffs have nearly everything that is necessary to replace the masts and rigging of the yacht. There is a spare mast already for just such an emergency as this, and it is believed within two weeks.

A DRUNKEN BRAWL.

General Gaselee so Describes the Frauds at Tien Tsin.

Pekin, June 4.—General Gaselee, the British commander, says the frauds at Tien Tsin Sunday was a mere drunken brawl, such as is liable to happen in any garrison town, and that it has not disturbed the cordial relations between the British and French authorities.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Count von Wallersee thought reported to have sailed for Japan on Monday, is, according to a despatch, at Tien Tsin, immigrating into the trouble between the international troops.

The Russian losses in China are stated to be 1,000 officers and 632 men killed or died of injuries.

Eight miners were killed yesterday in the Chelan mine, Iron Mountain, Mich., by flames following the explosion of dynamite.

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VANCOUVER NEWS.
Died in the Hospital.—Three Weddings Sent to Jail.

Vancouver, June 4.—(Special)—P. W. Desbray, who was picked up in an unconscious condition by the police Sunday night and sent to the hospital, died this morning without having regained his senses. Desbray was a native of New Brunswick. He leaves a wife and four children.

Three weddings took place today, when Wm. Hunt was married to Miss M. E. Lindsay, Randall May to Miss F. Daniels, and C. W. Hillman to Miss B. Matthews.

The Chinaman who attempted to smuggle \$800 worth of silks from the Empire, have been committed to jail for six months each.

PAN-AMERICAN.

B. C. Commissioner Has Reached Buffalo and Begun Work.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 4.—C. H. Gibbons, commissioner for British Columbia at the Pan-American exposition, has arrived in this city and set up his headquarters in the Canadian Pavilion, where he will remain during the season. British Columbia has no individual exhibits in the exposition, but shares in the interest of the Canadian provinces generally.

RAN AMOK.

Malay at Singapore Kills Six People With a Spear.

London, June 5.—The Daily Mail publishes the following despatch from Singapore: "A Malay doctor named Ibrahim, ran amuck and killed six people with a spear, seriously injuring nine others. He was then knocked down and died from the effects of a fractured skull."

COMERCIAL CABLE.

Regular Quarterly Dividend Declared Payable July 1.

New York, June 4.—At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Commercial Cable company, held here today, the regular quarterly dividend of one and three-quarters per cent., was declared payable on July 1. The transfer books will be closed on June 20, and re-opened July 2.

THE CUT-WORM.

Rev. G. W. Taylor, of Wellington, thinks There May Possibly Be Another Plague This Year.

Writing to the Nanaimo Herald from St. Matthew's rectory, Wellington, the Rev. G. W. Taylor, who is an acknowledged authority on several branches of natural history, says:

"As requested, I send you a note re the cut-worm. Every one knows now, I suppose, that these enterprisers, known to entomologists as *Peridroma saucia*. These moths were quite numerous in the early part of June, and in due course laid the eggs which hatched, the result being the plague that devastated our fields and gardens in July. As a rule we do not suffer two years in succession from a visitation of this kind, but whenever the balance of nature is disturbed by a corresponding increase of some other species which prey upon the first. Thus caterpillars are usually kept within bounds by means of parasitic insects which feed upon them internally and so destroy them.

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Heavy Travel From Orient

Empress of Japan Brings Largest Complement the Liners Have Carried.

Additions to Trans-Pacific Fleet
—Other News of the Waterfront.

R. M. S. Empress of Japan, which arrived from the Orient yesterday afternoon, after a good passage, with the exception of stormy weather lasting two days soon after she sailed from Yokohama, brought the largest complement of saloon passengers that any of the steamers have yet carried across the Pacific. In all she had 159 saloon passengers. It is during this month and July that the Empresses usually bring their largest contingents of passengers, but never before have they had such a large complement brought by the Japanese. Travel seems to continue to grow on this route, notwithstanding the fact that steamers are being constantly added. The last vessels added, according to news received from the head offices of the company in Japan by the Empress, are three steamers of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, which are to increase their fleet to six, and give semi-weekly sailings instead of four weekly, as at present. The first steamer under the new two-weekly schedule is the steamer Kinshin Maru now on the way, being due here on the 13th. The Japan Herald says in regard to the increased service: "With the Nippon Yusen Kaisha first inaugurated, the formerly service for this line, some years ago, with three steamers, it considered that the schooner C. T. Hill sailed on April 30 for Seal Island, but returned on May 6, having met ice thirty-five miles south of St. George's island.

Steamer Rosalie, leaving here Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock, will go through to Tacoma. Returning she will leave Seattle for Victoria on Saturday evening at 9:30 o'clock, instead of Saturday morning, arriving back here at 5 o'clock Sunday morning. This will give excursionists all day Saturday at Seattle.

PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer North Pacific from the Sound.

E. B. Palmer, J. L. Flowers, J. L. Wilson.
Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Flowers, Mrs. Wilson.
Mr. D. Davison, J. H. Holland, C. A. Allen.
Mrs. Davison, J. H. Holland, C. A. Allen.
Dr. W. E. Burrows, G. Matheson, R. B. Johnson.
Mrs. Burrows, H. H. Hunter, R. B. Johnson.
Miss Burrows, John George, J. G. George.
Mr. G. W. Burrows, D. Richardson, M. M. Miller.
Mrs. G. W. Burrows, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Miller.
C. F. Goodwin, E. C. Goodwin, W. C. Goodwin, C. D. Scobell.
Mrs. Goodwin, E. C. Goodwin, W. C. Goodwin, C. D. Scobell.
Miss Lawrence, Miss Miller, Mrs. Miller.
R. R. Johnson, Miss Edith, Mrs. Edith.
J. B. Miller, Mrs. Edith, Mrs. Edith.
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W. Jones, Mrs. Edith, Mrs. Edith.
J. Adams, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Evans.
D. W. Mathews, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. McDonald.
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W. Riddle, T. Jones, T. Jones.
A. T. Kirkpatrick, W. J. C. Innes, W. J. C. Innes.
F. Martin, J. M. Rossiter, Mrs. Terry, Mrs. Terry.
W. Campbell, H. Miles, H. Miles.
Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Brown.

Passengers per steamer Utopia from the Sound.

A. Brian, J. M. M. Moore, J. M. M. Moore.
L. German, J. A. Coats, A. Marche.
E. Hunter, J. A. Coats, A. Marche.
R. L. Thomas, J. A. Coats, A. Marche.
John Longmire, Mrs. Childers, Mrs. Oliver.
F. R. Ashley, J. Sundert, J. Sundert.
W. G. Gane, J. Sundert, J. Sundert.
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W. B. Bishop, J. Sundert, J. Sundert.
Mrs. Bishop, J. Sundert, J. Sundert.
J. Rowntree, Mrs. Bishop, J. Sundert.
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C. A. Clark, Mrs. Levington, Mrs. Levington.
Mrs. Heavy, Mrs. Hillard, C. H. Babcock.
H. B. Clark, F. W. Letherwood, R. McLean.
Mrs. H. C. Chick, Mrs. McLean, Mrs. McLean.
E. Jacobson, Mrs. Pentreath, F. McDonald.
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A. H. Crawford, L. Adams, L. Adams.
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YUKON GOLD.

The decision of the Council of the
Board of Trade to take steps to raise
a fund for the purpose of covering any
loss which the banks may sustain
through paying the same price here for
gold that it realizes in Seattle, appears
to meet with the approval of the busi-
ness community. In less than two
hours yesterday afternoon, over \$2,500
was subscribed, which, added to \$2,500
already assured from another source,
makes \$4,500 already available. The
energetic committee having the matter
in charge proposes to continue, and
have set \$10,000 as the mark at which
they will aim.

Owing to the fact that gold is not as-
sayed here and purchased by the Assay
Office, it is out of the question for the
banks in this city to give as much for
dust as it will sell for at the Seattle
Assay Office. The difference is about
three-tenths of one per cent., not a very
large amount, but enough to turn the
tide in favor of the city on the Sound.
The fund now being raised is to pay
this small difference, and it will enable
Victoria to make it known all over the
Northern country that miners can get
as much for their gold here as they can
anywhere else. It is hoped that the
result will be that more miners will come
to this city on their way out than have
formerly done so. In taking this step
the example of Vancouver is being fol-
lowed.

This arrangement is necessarily only
temporary. What is needed is the set-
lement of this whole question so that
there will no longer be a steady flow
of Canadian gold to an American city.
The importance of stopping this move-
ment is great. Seattle advertises far and
wide that all the gold from the Yukon
comes there, and that is practically the
truth. It is a great drawing card for
that town, which the wide awake people
are not slow to take advantage of.
It is high time that a change was in-
augurated, and we hope that steps will
be taken when Sir Wilfrid Laurier is
on the Coast next month to bring it about.

THE NEWS SERVICE.

The Victoria Times and the Vancouver
World have recently spoken in not
very complimentary terms of the tele-
graphic service given the British Colum-
bia newspapers. They have only said
what the readers of these papers have
been saying for some time past. No
criticism is made as to the volume of
telegraphic news received, which is
fully what cities of the size of those of
British Columbia can reasonably expect.
It is the quality that is inexcusable. It
is astounding what the editor of the As-
sociated Press despatches for this Coast
thinks we ought to be interested in.

Let us take a sample or two. A few
weeks ago the second despatch in point
of magnitude received by the Times as
part of the day service was the story
of a little boy in Brooklyn, who had left
home in the morning and had not come
back, and his father was afraid that he
might have fallen into the water and
been drowned, although he admitted it
was possible that he had gone off with
some playmates. A few days later the
Colonist had despatch telling that
some queen in the Balkan region had
again come to the dinner table. This
item, which by itself was utterly un-
interesting, was the concluding chapter of
a strange story of that particular queen,
who has been endeavoring to persuade
her more or less royal spouse that she
has lately presented him with a son
and heir. Once a week we get a so-
called European letter by wire. It reads
very much as if some one had taken a
pair of scissors and cut up some stuff that
happened to be in the office. We got the other night the
information that Senator Beveridge of

the United States had gone to see some
one in England. Now we protest that
no one in British Columbia cares where
Senator Beveridge goes or stays. He
is doubtless an amiable person, but we
are not laying awake at night to print a
paper telling of what a lot of amiable
American politicians are doing. Take
last night's Times, which is rather bet-
ter supplied with telegraphic news than
usual. The public were told that it had
been raining heavily in New York
state, that two yachts were going to
have a trial race on June 24, that it is
not true that Mrs. Maybrick has been
released from prison (no report that she
had ever been sent there), that Mrs. Mc-
Kinley's condition was unchanged, that
two men had shot each other in Chi-
cago, that President McKinley has given
the King of Sweden his photograph,
that there is some talk of a local coal
and coke combine in the United States,
that there is to be no extra session of
congress, that a man no one out here
over heard of before is being tried for
fraud in Philadelphia, and so on. There
is no use in saying that this is the pick
of the news. It is nothing of the kind.
It is the refuse. All any one has to do
is to examine the daily papers of other
cities to find this out. The press of
British Columbia will have to take this
matter up.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

(Fifth Article)

Graham Island, of the Queen Charlotte Group, is the second island in size in British Columbia. We have approximated its area at 2,000 square miles. There is an extensive lake in the centre connected with the sea at the northern end of the island. Moresby Island is the second of the group in size. It lies south of Graham. Its greatest length is 85 miles, and its greatest width 40, but in places it is not more than 5 miles across from shore to shore. Its outline is so irregular that no close estimate can be made of its area, but it doubtless contains over 1,000 square miles. Both these islands are mountainous and the same holds good of the smaller members of this group. At the northern end of both Graham and Moresby there are small areas suitable for agriculture or stock raising, but for the most part the whole group must be classed as non-arable. The climate is very fine. The rainfall is less than on the corresponding latitude on the Mainland, and the greatest cold ever experienced since records have been kept was 8 degrees above zero, Fahr. During the past eight years the thermometer has never gone below 18 degrees. This mild climate is due to the effect of the Japan current. There is some snow every year, and the highest peaks in the interior are snow-capped through the whole twelve months.

The known mineral resources are coal, copper, gold and silver, but only limited prospecting has been done for anything except coal. The latter is found both on Graham and Moresby islands. The ascertained areas are extensive and the quality of the coal is good. Gold has been mined by the Hudson's Bay Company to some extent at Gold Harbor, on Moresby Island. Prospects have been found in numerous other places, but it is only very recently that anything like systematic exploration has been undertaken. While it is too soon to forecast results, it may be said that the outlook is favorable. If any persons desire an almost virgin field for this sort of work, they can find it in the Queen Charlotte group, and the conditions of life there are by no means arduous.

Except on the highest levels and near the coasts, the islands of this group are well timbered, principally with spruce and cedar. The wood is of good quality. Whatever doubt may exist on other points, there is none as to the values of these islands from the standpoint of the fisherman. The most valuable fish found in the adjacent waters is the halibut. They are not large in size, but are excellent in quality. They seem to exist in inexhaustable quantities. They can be taken at any season of the year at some points around the coasts. Salmon are present in all the inlets in innumerable numbers. Codfish are also taken, but not so much is known as to their numbers, as little or no attention has been paid to this fishery. Three factories have been set up for the manufacture of dog-fish oil.

As is the case in most of the islands along the northwest coast, wild berries, namely, huckleberries, cranberries and luscious and large wild strawberries grow in profusion. There are about 600 Indians on Graham Island, and possibly a hundred white people on all the group.

Of the smaller islands of British Columbia, Texada attracts the greatest attention. It is situated in the northern part of the Gulf of Georgia, between Vancouver Island and the Mainland. It is 30 miles long with an average breadth of 6 miles. It has been described as "a mass of mineral." It is known to contain copper, gold and iron in paying quantities, also great deposits of lime and marble. Mining for the three minerals named is being successfully prosecuted. Great attention has recently been directed to this island by the discovery of exceptionally rich free-milling quartz in quantity which warrants the institution of stamp mills.

The principal scene of mining operations at the present time is near the northeast end of the island, in the vicinity of Stuart Bay, where the town of Van Anda is situated. There is a smelter here. The business of Texada Island is steadily increasing, and it is now safely established as a growing mining centre.

The Island is well timbered and contains a considerable area suitable for agriculture. On the whole, for its area, it would be difficult to find anywhere an island enjoying better advantages than Texada.

The scores of islands and islets, which lie along the British Columbia coast are almost all mineralized. It is impossible to mention each particularly. On some of them, notably on Princess Royal Island, prospecting has been done, but for the most part they are virgin ground. On Princess Royal a very promising copper deposit is now being opened. Almost all the islands are well timbered, and on some of them there is land fit for farming, but ex-

cepting on the more southerly, agriculture is not likely to be an important industry. Mining and lumbering will prove the chief sources of wealth. On some of the islands of the Gulf of Georgia farming is now prosecuted successfully, and there is considerable vacant land. The climate of these islands is very agreeable. They are protected by Vancouver Island from the winds from the ocean. The snow fall is light, and there is, in point of fact, no winter as it is understood in the interior of the Continent, or in corresponding latitudes on the Atlantic coast.

Speaking generally of the Island section of British Columbia, one may say that it contains very many elements of great prosperity. Its genial climate, the ease with which all parts of it can be reached, the existing means of communication, the variety of resources and the large area yet to be explored, combine to make it a portion of Canada that ought to command very much greater attention than it has hitherto received. The indications are that any deficiency in this regard will be supplied in the near future, as the fame of the developed properties becomes more widely extended.

PROGRESS IN MINING.

Mr. David B. Bogle has been led by the publication of Mr. Herschell-Cohen's letter to send us a communication dealing with the progress of mining in British Columbia. The facts stated by Mr. Bogle are very interesting. We hope other readers will follow the example of these gentlemen and let us hear from them on points germane to the subject in which the Colonist is endeavoring to arouse a renewed interest.

No doubt Mr. Bogle is correct in citing the poor returns from investments in this province as a reason why it is difficult now to secure British capital for British Columbia investments. One has only to look over the financial papers of London to see the attractive list of dividends on Westralian and other properties with which this province has to compete when inviting the investment of capital. There is no getting away from the fact that our list of dividend-paying mines is meager when compared with the number of flotations. Mr. Bogle hints at what he thinks is the cause of this. The point is well worth exhaustive discussion. If we could point to a list of dividends regularly paid from British Columbia mines, we would not have to seek for capital. Capital would seek us out. What is the real trouble? Will those who are best able to express opinions in this connection kindly do so? No subject is better worthy of close consideration. The province is full of mineral. Good mines have been opened. Why are not dividends the rule?

The Times thinks that if there were no Mongolians in British Columbia, there would be such an influx of white labor that wages would go down, so as to bear some relation approximately with the rates paid in other places. When Mr. Turner said something like this in the house not very long ago, our recollection is that the Times followed him there. Has our contemporary been brought to change its way of thinking by the Chinese Commission?

The Constitution has been disbanded. She can sympathize with Shamrock II. There seems to be such a thing, after all, as carrying too much sail.

B. C. MINING.

To the Editor. Sir—I read with interest Mr. Herschell-Cohen's letter in your paper this morning. He says that British Columbia has ceased to attract British capital for mining purposes. He seems to give reasons for this that the mining law is all wrong, that the people of British Columbia are not interested in mining, that they are lethargic and indifferent. He also remarks that the progress in mining is infinitesimal. I cannot agree with Mr. Cohen that there is no mining in British Columbia, but common to all North America. The Coeur d'Alene district of Idaho which produces as per cent. of the country's output of gold and silver. In seven years our output has grown from \$1,000,000 to \$16,000,000. Not only so, but the rate of increase has shown a tendency to increase so that last year we had an output of \$10,000,000 in one year. The Constitution thinks that, however, look at the Boundary country, which produced 103,000 tons of ore last year, and has already in five months produced 100,000 tons. The Klondyke, which produced 217,000 tons of ore last year and has already in five months produced 180,000 tons of ore; also the coast, which produced 140,000 tons last year and will produce 200,000 tons this year. The indications are that our rate of increase will be safely maintained this year. Now compare this with the growth of some similar territories. Take Colorado. Twenty years ago the output of Colorado was about \$15,000,000 a year; it is now \$60,000,000. In twenty years from now at the present rate of increase the output of the Constitution will be \$16,000,000 a year. The output of British Columbia would be \$6,000,000 a year. Would Mr. Cohen agree to say that the mining progress of Colorado during the last twenty years has been greater than that of British Columbia? That is not true. The mining in British Columbia is not comparable. It is not fair to compare the Rand with any other country. Because the Rand was and is unique, says Mr. Bogle, British Columbia, but common to all North America. The Coeur d'Alene district of Idaho which produces as per cent. of the country's output of gold and silver. In seven years our output has grown from \$1,000,000 to \$16,000,000. Not only so, but the rate of increase has shown a tendency to increase so that last year we had an output of \$10,000,000 in one year. The Constitution thinks that, however, look at the Boundary country, which produced 103,000 tons of ore last year, and has already in five months produced 100,000 tons. The Klondyke, which produced 217,000 tons of ore last year and has already in five months produced 180,000 tons of ore; also the coast, which produced 140,000 tons last year and will produce 200,000 tons this year. The indications are that our rate of increase will be safely maintained this year. 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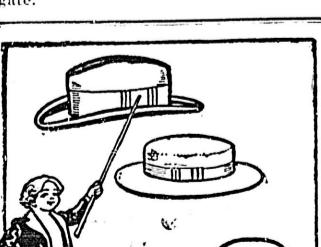
The Victoria News Co., stationers and booksellers, offers at very reasonable prices Office Supplies. R. T. Williams, manager, 86 Yates street.

BUSINESS POINTERS.

Why spend your money for the tasteless imported article when you can secure the genuine island raised strawberries at "The Ideal," 72 Yates street, where you are always sure of a "square deal."

The home-made bread and cake made at the Union Bakery, 97 Yates street, has been found to be A 1, just as advertised.

The attention of the public is directed to T. N. Hibben & Co., advertisement in another column, showing a cut of one of the company's new machines recently put in, for the manufacture of paper bags and boxes of all kinds. All of such would do well to call in at the company's store and investigate.



Which Do You Like?

OUR JUNE HATS are here that will suit your taste, we are sure. A style, too, that is popular and that will surely be comfortable.

These low crown golf hats, especially are right for summer wear. They are light on your head, and right for style.

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Mount Sicker
Brenton Mines

New Company Incorporated to
Develop Vancouver Island
Mines.

Starting Under Favored Condi-
tions That Should Insure
Success.

The latest mining company incorpor-
ated and registered under the Companies
Act of British Columbia, is the Mount
Sicker and Brenton Mines, Limited
(non-personal liability) the prospectus of
which has just been published. The
company is capitalized at \$1,000,000,
divided into 4,000,000 shares of 25 cents
each, and there are offered for sale 1,250,
200 non-assessable shares of treasury
stocks. Vendors and all other shares
other than treasury stock, are of agree-
ment pooled for one year, or until \$100,
000 in cash is in the treasury.

The claims owned by the company, and
which it is the intention to operate, are
situated on Mounts Sicker and Brenton,
Vancouver Island, within 50 miles of
Victoria, and 12 miles from the deep
water harbor of Chemainus. They con-
sist of the Susan, Copper Canyon, Vic-
toria, and two fractions (the Copper
Canyon and the Susan) of the Mounts Sicker
and the Mounts, all of which are
crown granted and registered.

It is claimed by the promoters, and
expert opinion fully bears out their con-
tention, that the wonderfully rich ore-
bodies of the famous Lenora mine traverse
the claims of the Copper Canyon
group, the outcroppings being easily
traceable from the boundary of the Le-
norah claim straight through the Vic-
toria, Copper Canyon and Susan. This
fact alone gives the properties of the
company an importance and value second-
to none, and here they are compelled to
rely on the good will of those from
whom information can be obtained. Mr.
R. C. Clute, chairman of the commis-
sion, last evening said:

"This morning we visited the cham-
ber of commerce and interviewed Presi-
dent C. C. Revans. From them we gained
some very valuable information,
as we did also from Mr. Groat,
of the city labor bureau. We also
talked with Mr. Parry of Moran
Brothers Company; Mr. Stetson of the
Stetson-Post Mill Company, and Mr.
Lindgate, of the Seattle Lumber Com-
pany.

"Natural conditions in the state of
Washington and in British Columbia are
very similar, and we are here for
the purpose of comparing the labor con-
ditions in the two sections. Here you
have the alien exclusion law, and there
we have not. A comparison is there-
fore necessary for our purposes."

Charles Wilson, of Vancouver, is with
the commission in the interests of the
British Columbia government. Said he
last evening:

"We have today obtained information
of great value bearing on the subject of
Oriental immigration. That gleamed
from the chamber of commerce was
largely of a statistical nature, and goes
to show, among other things, that the
population of Seattle has grown from
4,000 or 5,000 in 1886, when the Chinese
were driven out, to 90,000 at the present
time. If you are able thus to get along
without the large employment of Chi-
nese labor why cannot we? The fact
that you have not a large Chinese popula-
tion has not impaired the commercial,
industrial or financial importance of the
city."

"From Labor Commissioner Groat we
learned that it is an actual fact that
there are there 1,000 girls from Vic-
toria in this city in search of domestic
positions, those in Victoria being filled
by Chinamen or Japanese."

"Under the Dominion government the
provincial parliament has little power in
dealing with the question of immigration."

Ever since about 1878 petitions
have been sent year after year to the
Dominion government, urging them to
take some action. In 1885, as a result
of these petitions, an act was passed
compelling all Chinese immigrants to
pay a tax of \$50 a head. The evil has
been steadily growing greater, however,
and last year the tax was increased.
The protests from the province have
finally had the effect of the appoint-
ment of this commission.

"One of the chief difficulties in the
way of appraising this situation is that
the people of Eastern Canada have little
idea of the situation. The feeling in
British Columbia, however, is very
strong against Oriental immigration. To
be sure there are some firms who think
that they cannot get along without Chi-
nese labor, and there is no doubt that
an alien excise act would inconven-
ience some temporarily, but the great
majority are in favor of it."

The company's object in putting the
present issue of shares on the market
is to secure sufficient cash to develop
the whole of their properties; to erect
more commodious buildings and accom-
modations for the miners; to utilize
the splendid water power of the Chemainus
river, which flows through the property;
by installing a turbine for electric power
and light production. Every dollar de-
rived from the sale of stock will be
expended on actual development work.
The officers of the company are: William
A. Dier, Victoria, managing director;
Peter J. Pearson, Chemainus,
superintendent; Pellew-Harvey, Bryant
and Gilman, consulting engineers; Lewis
G. Hill, Chemainus, secretary-treasurer;
Banks—Bank of British North Amer-
ica, thirteen clothing, and only one fuel.

A Postponement.—Owing to the pre-
sent unsettled weather and other causes
over which they have no control, the
ladies of the Church of Our Lord, B. C.,
have decided to postpone for a few days
the grand fete arranged a few days
ago, the opening fixture for Saturday next
at the residence of Senator and Mrs.
Macdonald. The event will, however,
lose none of its attractiveness by the
enforced postponement, as this intervening
time will be occupied by the ladies
in enlarging the programme, which has
already been the object of no little curi-
osity. One of the features of the fete
will be a decorated bicycle parade, the
main condition being that contestants
will "fall in" in fancy costume. Several
prizes have been kindly promised by
friends, both for ladies and gentlemen,
so that all over 100 wheels will be
entered in the races in order to make a
strong competition. Entries must be
made not later than Wednesday, the
12th inst., to either Miss Macdonald at
Armadale, or Miss Bridge, Marfield,
Carr street, from whom full particulars
may be obtained. Admission to the
grounds will be 25 cents, including after-
noon tea. Next Wednesday morning's
paper will contain a complete copy of
the programme. In the meantime all
friends of the church are asked to re-
member the date of the opening garden
party of the season, namely, Saturday,
15th of June, from 3 to 8 o'clock.

THANKS FROM ONTARIO.

Farmers' Institute Delegates. Pleased
With Their Reception.

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A PURE EGYPTIAN CIGARETTE.

brief blocks. But yesterday things
changed. The old Nelson shot up end
is now even with the best of them.
Contractor Gillette had the work in
hand, and did not take long about it,
and thus the last visible sign of the his-
toric value of the famous hostelry has
disappeared. But not so with the
memories. While the building was
undergoing the process of modernizing, a
little knot of old-timers were constantly
about it, many said and many
were seen to be segregated. But the
most lasting feature of the day was
the opportunity it gave Mr. Marks of
paying a long-standing debt to J. A.
Gillette. When the first part of the
building was erected—that now occupied
by the Nelson Cafe—a sill was required
for the front of it to rest upon. Mr.
Marks crossed to Jim Gillette's lot across
the trail and cut down a large tree that
met all requirements when it was hewn
into the resemblance of a log. Jim was
mad. He was particularly fond of that
tree, and told Marks so in no uncertain
terms. Marks was sorry, but he
could not tell a lie. He confessed that
he did it with his little hatchet, and
would put the tree back if he could.
Yesterday an old log, much decayed,
was rolled on to Baker street, and lay in
the gutter. Mr. Marks went over to
the handsome modern store of Mr.
Gillette, which stands on the lot the tree
came from, took off his hat to Gillette
and said, "I'm sorry, but I
can't make you pay for this tree."
"I will make you pay for it," said Gillette.
"Take your damned old tree."

He didn't, Mr. Marks will have to
move it. It was in the old building
that Sir William Van Horne, then plain
"Mr.," stayed when he first came to
Nelson on a plaid mule which carried
him from Robson and deposited his few
hundredweight of perspiring avorolups
before the bar. It was hot, and he
wasn't in the best of humor, so when
the C. P. R. engineer spread out the
carefully prepared plan of the C. P. R.
proposed line from Robson to Nelson,
the railway president changed the
whole thing by switching the line.
When we last left it, he said it would be easier
to build it there than up higher, where
the plans called for. The weather and
the mule that day cost the C. P. R.
many thousands of dollars, for it had
taken a fortune to straighten out the
unsatisfactory line.

"I'm not in favor of building this line
at all," said Mr. Van Horne, when Bob
Wincott asked him to have another.

"I don't believe in running lines into
every confounded hole in the country."

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**SCARES FOR
THE ENGINEER**

**Illusions of the Rail That Try
the Nerves on Loco-
motives.**

From New York Sun.

I wonder what was the first, instantaneous sensation of that Canadian engineer who ran down Jimmie in the fog. Probably no engineer ever had a stranger shock; but shocks, strange and otherwise, are the portion of every man who stands at a locomotive throttle. He must get used to them and stand them as best he can—or find some occupation with less nervous strain to it. Most of them in the business get hardened to the unexpected, which is always happening on the rails.

One of the worst starts I ever had was due to a large lazy pig who had got on my mind. Nothing will slide a train more easily and destructively from the rails than live pork. This particular specimen had a habit of burrowing alongside the track, and it was a fair presumption that sooner or later he would find something to interest him between the rails, and somebody would go down the bank.

I was coming down hill one day at high speed, and, crazed by my own confusing sight of pig in my accustomed place, when as I popped round the curve a bright red flag popped up to me a day or two later, as I was oiling round, and said:

"Wal, I done it."

"Done what?"

"Run by that stone house, flagman I was, run by 'em ya'nt, wonder if they'll think I'm done for?"

He went on to tell me that the same fellow flagged him the night of the accident, but with his good name in mind, he dropped her down a notch, broughed defiance at the spook through his teeth, and went through the cut tail on end, only to pile up on the side a moment later.

One night, a long time after that, I was killing time on a clearance. The moon was about full, pretty well down in the west, and there was a stiff breeze from the same quarter. I remembered Jones' flagman, and decided he would never have a better chance to get caught. I shut off and let her roll on approaching the stone house.

Waving shadows on the track, cast by trees and bushes on the bank above, suggested a possible solution of the mystery. I kept my eyes fastened religiously on the spot Jones had described, and presently saw there was something there. Gaily the thing took form, until, when within a train length, I could have sworn that a man was in front of me waving a flag.

I put on brakes, slowed right down,

Death of the Python

(From Public Opinion.)

Without stating the purpose for what required, we succeeded in purchasing six "billies" for a few annas head, in spite of our caution, curiosity had been aroused; so we indented on Lynn for some Mathommeedans, and cordoned them round the bungalow on the side next to the veranda, and waited to see the scene of our intended operations.

Then we tethered our flock to the veranda posts, and commanding tools from Lynn's store shop, we dug a short two-foot trench just inside the wall, to allow of our conveniently taking cover behind it. Then, with crowbars, we loop-holed the wall itself, to enable us to command the jungle beyond, and fire through if necessary. Returning, we took six tent-pegs, also a mallet, and, leading the goats by their strings, we picketed them beneath a tamarind tree that stood some twenty yards away in the forest, accomplishing which, we hastily retreated, regained our trench, and waited, with impatience, for the snake to appear.

No sooner left than the "billies" commenced hissing. We were glad for the sound would tend to attract the python if it were anywhere in the vicinity. Time passed; it got on towards evening. The goats' plaintive bleating continued. We were beginning to weary of its monotony, when suddenly the cadence changed to that of terror. The enemy had come!

We looked. Sure enough, there it was, the prehen-
sile tail wrapped round a nether limb of the tamarind, the hideous trunk, ending in a squat, lozenge-shaped head, hanging vertically festooned above the wretched goats, which seemed paralysed by the sight.

"Where's the blessed head?" whispered Sparkes, savagely.

"Showed in among the coils—but don't let's wait for it to show; we'll dislodge him first, and smash it up afterwards."

"All right; you take the bottom coil. I'll take the top—say when."

I confess that we were "shaking all over," not from funk—but we had not been there—but from sheer excitement, this being a new experience, and our enemy far more wild and uncanny than the veriest man-eating tiger that ever walked. Tottering down to our left knees, we pointed our Martinis.

"Ready?" I inquired.

"Aye!"

"Fire!"

The dual crack was followed by a burly-burly that beggars description. The smoke lifted, and there was the python whipping and writhing the reptile selected on, and with lightning-like rapidity threw several coils around it. The length trending up to the branch seemed to contract; a sickening sound of crushing followed by one lamentable yell from the goat, struck horror to our souls.

Then there was silence! Presently, with a series of undulations, the snake played itself out from the tree, and, loosing hold, the tail came to the ground with a thud.

Now, bringing up its wonderful powers of deglution to bear, the reptile opened wide its jaws, closed them on the goat's head, and then, little by little, aided by many muscular actions, it engulfed the entire carcass. Fast, indeed, horrid, and yet interesting, we watched, with the greatest interest, the snake's jaws closing in its hideous jaws; undulating, wriggling and convulsing all over the place. In half a dozen pairs of gaunt wounds we saw where our shots had pierced through and through; still, even thus maimed, we were convinced that had the python not been weighted by its huge meal, these injuries would not have prevented it from catching and crushing us in its folds, or escaping into the thicket. It was an awful scene! Slipping in cartridge after cartridge, we fired again and again into the snake's body; but the shots seemed only to rouse it to greater activity; for now, having seen us, came wriggling and writhing in various directions. We reflected, blushing away, and laid its flat head supinely on the ground within a few feet of us. Sparkes instantly seized the opportunity. Steadying himself, "Take that, you brute!" he cried, firing and sending his bullet clean through the head.

Freely I have been asked if rail road men are superstitious. I think not, though they might be pardoned if they were.

One night, after the meeting, Fred Jones asked, with fairly well assumed indifference, if "any o' you fellers" had seen a mysterious o' man at night near

and gave an answering toot toot, but he paid no attention. Then I crawled out on the run board and looked at the moon, which was just visible above the bank at my right. As the moon, myself and the man came into line, he became blurred and indistinct, and I observed that a small pine tree on the bank was also coming into line with us. When the line was complete the flagman spread out and lost form.

Next time I saw Jones I told him about it, and he exclaimed:

"Well, I'll be darned!"

On his next day off Jones deadheaded to the station near the stone house and tramped four miles with an axe. The spook flagman never bothered him nor any one else thereafter.

A ludicrous case of misplaced confidence in the evidence of his own eyes was that of Pete Schufeldt, a crabbed, contrary, Lehigh Valley Dutchman. Pete had enjoyed a ten days' involuntary vacation through being "outfitted" by his conductor and crew in regard to an open switch, and he hungered and thirsted for revenge.

Coming east shortly afterward in a dense fog and carrying white flags, they crossed over at a water-plug and let some cars on a siding. They backed on to the train again, and while the fireman took water, Pete got down to oil. He found a warm wedge on the front driving wheel on his side, and pulled it down a bit. While he was under her, the conductor passed and told him to call the flag when he was ready.

Pete got his tail-pot, gave the wedge a good dose of cylinder oil, and stepped on the turn-hand, finished oiling and climbed into the cab. He was in the very act of reaching for the whistle cord to call the flag when he saw what looked like the target of an open switch right ahead of the engine. It was really the staff of the white flag, helped out by the tail-pot, which he had forgotten and left on the run board. But the heavy fog, aided and abetted by the simmer of the safety valve, and escaping steam from the cylinder cocks, obscured his vision and distorted his perspective.

He was a chance to get square with that conductor. A local was following them pretty close, and a few minutes' delay would "lay her out" and necessitate an explanation from the conductor as to how he came to leave that switch open. Pete sat down comfortably in his cab and awaited developments.

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"Aish dot so?" roared Pete, fuming with righteous indignation. "Better you with your eyes fixed. Yet you call dat boy?" and he pointed triumphantly ahead, just as the fireman reached up and lifted the tail-pot down from the run-board.

Of course, the supposed open switch target disappeared, and Pete has been trying to explain ever since.

**REDUCTIONS
TO FARMERS**

**C. P. R. Makes Important Con-
cessions on Fruit Rates
and for Packages.**

The C. P. R. has made some very substantial concessions in special rates just issued affecting the shipments of fruit and farm produce in British Columbia. It will be remembered that Mr. R. M. Palmer, inspector of fruit pests, was appointed by the government as a special commissioner to look into the matter of rates, and no doubt the concessions are due at least in part to the railway company having the matter properly placed before them.

One concession is that wharfage charges at Kelowna on through freights between points north of Okanagan Landing have been done away with. Then as a special concession, the shipment of mixed carloads of apples, fruits and vegetables at their respective rates will be allowed, subject to a minimum weight for the car of 30,000 lbs. and a minimum quantity of 10,000 lbs. of apples and other fruits in each car. This refers only to shipments from the Okanagan district to Rossland, Nelson and Sandon.

In accordance with the foregoing, the following special rate notices have been promulgated:

Fruit (excepting apples), in packages, L. C. L., the rate is given in cents per 100 lbs.

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Farm For Sale

Enderby, B. C.

One of the finest, if not the finest farm in the valley, comprising 1300 acres, 500 of which are under cultivation, and 100 of which are meadow in addition. The buildings on this property are modern, and of the very best; orchards, drainage, and everything being in first class repair. This is one of the finest grana ranches that is for sale in the Upper Country.

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THE WEATHER.

Metereological Office, Victoria, June 4-8 p.m.

The baron has risen over the central portion of the North Pacific slope, but remains low over the greater part of British Columbia, extending throughout the Northwest Territories. Rain is falling in Cariboo, Alberta and Saskatchewan and snow at Calgary. Cool weather prevails in the interior. Some temperatures are recorded from Barkerville and Kamloops. West of the Rockies light showers have fallen near the coast.

TEMPERATURE. Min. Max.

Victoria	44	59
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Portland, Ore.	48	61
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FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Wednesday, June 5.

Victoria: Visibility: Moderate or fresh west-south winds, mostly fair; not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland: Light on moderate west-south winds, mostly fair, stationary or higher temperature.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD:

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m., observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4.

Dog. Min. Dog. Max.

5 a.m. 53 Highest..... 56

5 p.m. 55 Lowest..... 41

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. 12 miles west.

Noon. 12 miles west.

5 p.m. 23 miles west.

Average state of weather: Fair.

Rainfall: 0.1 in.

Sunshine: 12 hours.

Barometer at noon—Observed..... 30.030

Corrected..... 30.050

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected..... 30.02

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Avoid much meat eating at the morning meal in summer. It conduces to heaviness, drowsiness and defective digestion. One pound of steak makes but two meals; one package of Malt Breakfast Food makes three meals, and furnishes more strength, vim and energy. It is the most economical of foods. Malt Breakfast Food is easily digested and its delicious flavor makes it a fast friend with old and young. All Grocers.

VICTORIA TIDES.

For the Month of June, 1901. (Used by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of the Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and is set above the sill of the Esquimalt Dry Dock.

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LOOKING FOR HEIRS.

Forty Million to be Divided Among Surviving Relatives of John Tyson.

A Philadelphia despatch under date of May 28, says:

"The heirs of the late John Tyson, of Australia, owners of property to the amount of \$40,000,000, are supposed to be unknown. Their whereabouts is unknown, and is sought diligently by a Philadelphian lawyer.

"On Saturday morning last an advertisement in one of the morning newspapers requested that information concerning the heirs be forwarded to John Dickey, Jr., of No. 804 Land Title building, who has been directed to settle the estate.

"John Tyson was a shrewd Scotchman who emigrated to Australia when the gold fever broke out in the '40s. He bought a large tract of land and established a ranch. His natural industry, combined with an element of good luck, enabled him to increase his possessions until his wealth was more than \$40,000,000. He never visited his native land, and never wrote, living a secluded life.

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